



Reintegration Unit Risk Inventory Interpretation of Results

Overview

The Reintegration Unit Risk Inventory (R-URI) is a 79-item anonymous questionnaire designed to screen for high-risk behaviors and attitudes affecting unit readiness and personal well being that may have occurred during deployment or since reintegration. Part A of the R-URI requests background information about the soldier's deployment. Part B of the survey comprises a selection of four questions from the Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT), a screening instrument developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) to identify people whose alcohol consumption has become hazardous or harmful.

Questions in Part C and Part D of the survey target deployment experiences and the aftereffects of those experiences, as well as alcohol and drug use issues and other risk factors linked to well-being and readiness, such as domestic violence, suicide, crime, personal and unit relationships, perception of the Army environment, and financial problems. Finally, Part E of the R-URI asks follow-up questions about the respondents' interest in obtaining information about and seeking help for a variety of issues.

The R-URI Summary of Results report provides a two-page overview of the survey data. The report for active-duty units compares the unit results to the aggregated results from respondents in all active-duty units of the same Unit Type, to include Combat Arms (CA), Combat Support (CS), or Combat Service Support (CSS). The report for Army Reserve units looks much the same, but compares the unit results to the aggregated results from respondents in all Reserve units of the same Unit Type.

For both active-duty Army and Army Reserve reports, the Unit Type percentages are calculated using results from all units with the associated Unit Type that were surveyed during the last 24 months. Further, surveys from a minimum of five units with the appropriate Unit Type must have been received during that 24-month period before the Unit Type data can be displayed.

Part A: Background Information

The results in Part A summarize the responses of the respondents in the surveyed unit, but do not present any comparison data. Question 5 (Returned to same civilian job held before deployment) applies only to Army Reserve and National Guard soldiers. For active-duty Army units, a note regarding the applicability of the question is inserted (This question only applies to Army Reserve and National Guard units.).

Part B: AUDIT Results

The Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT) consists of 10 multiple-choice questions that ask about alcohol use within the past year. However, to minimize emphasis on a single issue, Part B of the survey comprises a selection of only four of those questions. According to WHO documentation and an independent data analysis, the four AUDIT questions are expected to provide reliable and valid results. Responses to each question are assigned a score ranging from zero to four, for a maximum total score of 16. Respondents with a combined score of seven or higher are identified as problem drinkers.

The graph in Part B of the R-URI report displays the number of respondents with scores in these ranges:

Score	7–16	1–6	0	Incomplete
Category	Problem drinkers	Non-problem drinkers	Non-drinkers	Non-response

Parts C and D: While Deployed and Since Returning

In both the C./D. Overview section on page 1 and in the C./D. section on page 2, the four columns of results on the report are presented as two sets of two columns each. Results from Part C, While Deployed, are shown in the left two columns, and the results from Part D, Since Returning, are in the right two. Within each set, the left column shows the unit's results, while the right column shows the Unit Type comparison results.

While not labeled on the survey forms, the questions in Parts C and D are divided into 10 broad categories and the results are presented by category on the unit report. The categories are: Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Unit Cohesion, Self-Perception / Relationships, Financial Problems, Suicide, Other Crimes, Verbal / Physical Abuse, Army Environment, Combat / Deployment, and Army One Source.

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The C./D. Overview section on page 1 displays the percentage of respondents marking significant (unfavorable) responses to the survey questions averaged across the questions within each survey category. Only category level results are shown in the overview section. The two categories with no questions in Part C are marked with -- in the set of columns under the While Deployed heading.

In each survey category, when the averaged unit percentage is greater than that of the averaged aggregated results from all respondents surveyed in units with the same Unit Type, an asterisk (*) appears next to the unit result.

The C./D. section on page 2 presents the percentage of respondents marking significant responses to each of the survey questions, grouped by survey category.

Part C contains 32 questions, and Part D contains 36. In each of these parts, 25 questions can be paired with a corresponding question in the other part. For example, Question 10 in Part C on the survey (While Deployed Did you drive under the influence of alcohol or other drugs?) is paired with Question 42 in Part D (Since Returning Have you driven under the influence of alcohol or other drugs?). To conserve space on the report, paired questions share one label, and the results for them are shown on the same line. To continue the above example, results for Questions 10 and 42 are labeled Drove under the influence of alcohol/drugs. The question numbers that apply to each label are listed on the right side of page 2, in two columns. The left column includes the question numbers from Part C (While Deployed), that is, Questions 10 through 41, and the right column includes the question numbers from Part D (Since Returning), that is, Questions 42 through 77.

Seven questions appear only in Part C; 11 questions appear only in Part D. These are marked with -- in the two columns in the section in which they are not applicable.

The results presented in the report from survey Parts C and D are based on the percentage of soldiers who selected significant responses.

- Significant in most cases means unfavorable, for example, Questions 13 and 45 (Used illegal drugs) or Questions 19 and 51 (Went AWOL).
- The responses to a few questions are neither favorable nor unfavorable; they are significant because they refer to potentially traumatic events:
 - Question 36 (Engaged in direct combat) and Question 37 (Wounded or killed someone) relate to Army activities, and thus, positive responses are not considered unfavorable. Nevertheless, engagement in direct combat or wounding or killing someone could be traumatic (and, therefore, significant) for a survey respondent.
 - Any of the positive responses to Question 38 (Saw coalition/enemy/civilian wounded, killed, or dead) could have indicated a traumatic (and, therefore, significant) experience for a survey respondent.
- The results for Questions 41 and 77 (They or a family member used Army One Source) are not in the unit reports because the data are used only at the Army level.

For questions with more than two response choices, the percentage of respondents who chose the two most significant answers is reported (see examples below).

Question	Significant Responses
22. & 54. How often are there people available that you can turn to for support in bad moments or illness?	“Hardly ever” or “Never”
72. How satisfied are you with life in the Army?	“Somewhat satisfied” or “Not satisfied”

When the unit percentage is greater than that of the aggregated results from all respondents from surveyed units of the same Unit Type, an asterisk (*) appears next to the unit result.

Part E: Follow-up

The results in Part E display the percentages of soldiers who marked that they have sought help for or requested information or a briefing about any one or more of nine topics listed. No comparison data are presented.